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April 1989 HIGHLIGHTS

North Carolina's unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted, was 4.3 percent in April, an increase of 1.3 percent from the prior month's rate of 3.0. For the nation, the adjusted unemployment rate was 5.3 for April . The national rate was 5.0 in March. From a year ago, the state's rate was 3.7 percent.

The civilian labor force for North Carolina in April was estimated at 3,478,000, an increase of 63,000 from the March estimate of 3,415,000. From April 1988, the civilian labor force saw an increase of 158,000 people.

Employment, seasonally adjusted for April, moved up to 3,330,000 from 3,311,000 in March for an increase of 19,000 workers. The number employed in April 1989 was 133,000 greater than in April 1988, for an increase of about 4.0 percent. The number of persons unemployed was 44,000 higher in April (148,000) than in March (104,000). From April a year ago, the unemployed estimate was up by 25,000.

In April, North Carolina's seasonally adjusted industry employment was 3,010,500, an increase of 10,300 from the prior month's estimate of 3,000,400. An over-the-month gain of 12,600 occurred in nonmanufacturing and employment in manufacturing fell by 2,300 . In manufacturing, tobacco (-1,200) was the big loser over the month. Employment gains in nonmanufacturing were most significant in the construction (+ 2,600) trade (+3,400) and services(+4,200) industries.

A total of 53,100 employees were added to industry payrolls from April 1988-April 1989. Manufacturing employment increased by 1,800, as employment in nonmanufacturing was increasing by 51,300. The manufacturing gain was in durable goods industries. Gains of 900 workers occurred in the fabricated metal products, and 3,800 in machinery, exc. electrical. Most nondurable goods industries posted modest changes for an overall increase of 800.

In April 1989, 10,401 individuals were placed in jobs through the Employment Security Commission. Nearly one-half (4,703) of the individuals was placed in manufacturing industries. More than 2,336 persons founds jobs in the service industry, while 1,920 individuals were placed in the trade industry. By occupational category, 1,952 individuals were employed in packaging and material handling; 1,899 in bench work; 1,696 in services, except domestic; and 1,187 in machine trades.

Production workers in manufacturing earned $8.38 an hour in April. The average hours worked were 40.5, and average weekly earnings amounted to $339.39 There was an increase of $ .30 an hour in average hourly earnings from April 1988 . Workers in cigarette manufacturing earned the highest hourly pay at $17.69. In nonmanufacturing, workers in communications and public utilities averaged $12.43 an hour during April 1989.

Production workers in North Carolina manufacturing industries totalled 681,200 in April 1989. This is a decline of 2,000 from the March 1989 estimate of 683,200, and a decline of 1,500 from April 1988. Most major industry divisions registered small changes from the month ago levels. From April of last year, manufacturing lost 3,100 production workers in furniture and 1,600 in textiles.

Table 1

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

April 1989

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: November 1988 through April 1989					
	Apr. 1988	Nov. 1988	Dec. 1988	Jan. 1989	Feb. 1989	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,890	4,951	4,959	4,967	4,975	4,983	4,991
Civilian Labor Force	3,320	3,386	3,371	3,435	3,390	3,415	3,478
Participation Rate	67.9	68.4	68.0	69.2	68.1	68.5	69.7
Employed	3,197	3,266	3,254	3,302	3,283	3,311	3,330
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	65.4	66.0	65.6	66.5	66.0	66.4	66.7
Unemployed	123	120	117	133	107	104	148
Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.9	3.2	3.0	4.3
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: February 1989 through April 1989		
	Apr. 1988	Feb. 1989	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,890	4,975	4,983	4,991
Civilian Labor Force	3,266	3,381	3,379	3,424
Participation Rate[1]	66.8	68.0	67.8	68.6
Employed	3,156	3,255	3,269	3,288
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	64.5	65.4	65.6	65.9
Unemployed	110	125	110	136
Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.7	3.2	4.0
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.5

[1]The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.
[2]The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.
[3]The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Table 2

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

April 1989

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: November 1988 through April 1989					
	Apr. 1988	Nov. 1988	Dec. 1988	Jan. 1989	Feb. 1989	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	184,232	185,244	185,402	185,644	185,777	185,897	186,024
Civilian Labor Force	121,328	122,510	122,563	123,428	123,181	123,264	123,659
Participation Rate[1]	65.9	66.1	66.1	66.5	66.3	66.3	66.5
Employed	114,660	115,947	116,009	116,711	116,853	117,136	117,113
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	62.2	62.6	62.6	62.9	62.9	63.0	63.0
Unemployed	6,668	6,563	6,554	6,716	6,328	6,128	6,546
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.1	5.0	5.3
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: Previous Year	Time Series Data: February 1989 through April 1989		
	Apr. 1988	Feb. 1989	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1989
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	184,232	185,777	185,897	186,024
Civilian Labor Force	120,264	121,906	122,223	122,576
Participation Rate[1]	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.7
Employed	113,905	115,023	115,844	116,347
Employment-Population Ratio[2]	61.8	61.9	62.3	62.5
Unemployed	6,359	6,883	6,378	6,279
Unemployment Rate	5.3	5.6	5.2	5.1
Insured Unemployment Rate[3]	2.2	2.6	2.5	2.2

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Figure 1

A Comparison of Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1988-April 1989

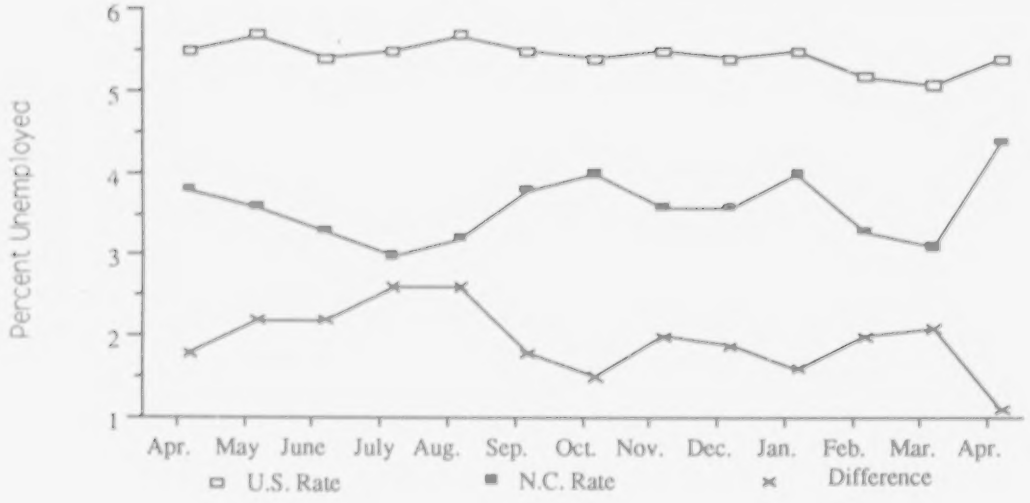

Figure 2

North Carolina Unemployment Rates (Adjusted and Unadjusted)

April 1988-April 1989

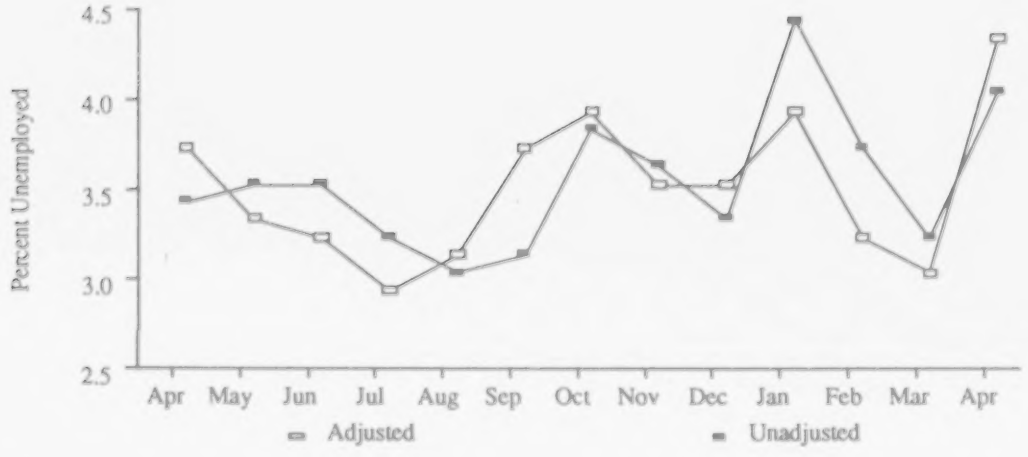

Table 3

Industry Employment in North Carolina

April 1989[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Change From: Mar. 1989 Net	Mar. 1989 Percent	Apr. 1988 Net	Apr. 1988 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	32,65.0	3,78.9	3,65.5	+ 45.1	+ 1.3	+ 58.5	+ 4.9
Employment, Total	136.0	109.5	109.9	+ 26.5	+ 24.2	+ 26.1	+ 23.7
Unemployment, Total	3,288.0	3,269.4	3,155.6	+ 18.6	+ 0.6	+ 132.4	+ 4.2
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.0	3.2	3.4	+ 18.6	xxx	+ 132.4	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force[3]	3,478.0	3,315.0	3,320.0	+ 63.0	+ 1.8	+ 158.0	+ 4.8
Employment, Total	148.0	104.0	123.0	+ 144.0	+ 42.3	+ 25.0	+ 20.3
Unemployment, Total	3,311.0	3,283.0	3,186.0	+ 28.0	+ 0.9	+ 125.0	+ 3.9
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.3	3.0	3.7	+ 1.3	xxx	+ 0.6	xxx
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,006.5	3,008.8	2,953.8	- 2.3	- 0.1	+ 52.7	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	868.5	870.3	866.7	- 1.8	- 0.2	+ 1.8	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	351.5	355.8	354.2	- 0.7	- 0.2	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	36.5	36.3	37.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.6	- 0.5	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.1	12.0	12.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.8	- 0.1	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.2	9.2	9.6	0.0	0.0	- 0.4	- 4.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.8	4.6	4.6	+ 0.2	+ 4.3	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
Furniture & Fixtures	86.3	86.9	89.8	- 0.6	- 0.7	- 3.5	- 3.9
Household Furniture	76.6	77.1	79.8	- 0.5	- 0.6	- 3.2	- 4.0
Wood Household Furniture	38.8	39.2	40.7	- 0.4	- 1.0	- 1.9	- 4.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	32.1	32.2	33.4	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 1.3	- 3.9

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[2]Revised.
[3]Data are compiled on the basis of Place of Residence.
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[6]This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services, Forestry and Fisheries.
[7]This category includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestic workers in private households
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Industry employment compiled by the LMI Division in cooperation with USDOL, BLS.

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April 1989[1]

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	Total Employment Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Change From: Mar. 1989 Net	Mar. 1989 Percent	Apr. 1988 Net	Apr. 1988 Percent
Stone, Clay & Glass	21.6	21.7	21.2	- 0.1	- 0.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.1	- 3.6
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	6.0	5.9	5.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.7	+ 0.1	+ 1.7
Primary Metal Products	12.8	12.8	12.1	0.0	0.0	+ 0.7	+ 5.8
Fabricated Metal Products	30.8	31.0	29.9	- 0.2	- 0.6	+ 0.9	+ 3.0
Fab. Struct. Metal Products	9.8	10.0	9.4	- 0.2	- 2.0	+ 0.4	+ 4.3
Machinery, exc. Electrical	62.8	62.5	59.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.5	+ 3.8	+ 6.4
Special Industry Machinery	7.9	8.0	7.9	- 0.1	- 1.3	0.0	0.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	58.5	58.6	60.0	- 0.1	- 0.2	- 1.5	- 2.5
Household Appliances	6.5	6.4	6.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.6	+ 0.5	+ 8.3
Transportation Equipment	27.3	27.4	26.6	- 0.1	- 0.4	+ 0.7	+ 2.6
Other Durable Goods[4]	18.5	18.6	18.6	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.1	+ 0.5
Nondurable Goods	513.4	514.5	512.5	- 1.1	- 0.2	+ 0.9	+ 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	51.6	51.3	51.6	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	0.0	0.0
Meat Products	23.8	23.4	23.8	+ 0.4	+ 1.7	0.0	0.0
Meat Packing Products	2.6	2.5	2.3	+ 0.1	+ 4.0	+ 0.3	+ 13.0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.8	3.0	+ 0.1	+ 3.6	- 0.1	- 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.6	2.6	2.9	0.	0.0	- 0.3	- 10.3
Bakery Products	8.4	8.4	8.0	0.0	0.0	+ 0.4	+ 5.0
Beverages	6.6	6.6	6.8	0.0	0.0	- 0.2	- 2.9
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.9	23.7	23.1	- 0.8	- 3.4	- 0.2	- 0.9
Cigarettes	18.1	18.0	18.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	- 0.8	- 4.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.8	5.3	3.9	- 0.5	- 9.4	+ 0.9	+ 23.1
Textile Mill Products	220.5	220.7	222.3	- 0.2	- 0.1	- 1.8	- 0.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	53.2	53.9	54.7	- 0.7	- 1.3	- 1.5	- 2.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	24.0	24.4	26.6	- 0.4	- 1.6	- 2.6	- 9.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.8	28.3	27.0	- 0.5	- 1.8	+ 0.8	+ 3.0

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Classification	Total Employment			Change From:			
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1989 Net	Mar. 1989 Percent	Apr. 1988 Net	Apr. 1988 Percent
Knitting Mills	84.1	84.2	82.4	- 0.1	- 0.1	+ 1.7	+ 2.1
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	23.7	23.6	24.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	- 0.3	- 1.3
Hosiery, NEC	22.9	22.9	22.6	0.0	0.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.9	16.0	15.2	- 0.1	- 0.6	+ 0.7	+ 4.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.0	6.3	+ 0.2	+ 3.3	- 0.1	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	16.2	16.1	15.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.9	+ 5.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.6	51.4	53.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	- 2.1	- 3.9
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.9	87.3	86.4	- 0.4	- 0.5	+ 0.5	+ 0.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats & Furnishings	30.0	30.6	29.7	- 0.6	- 2.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.4	35.3	36.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	- 1.2	- 3.3
Paper & Allied Products	21.5	21.7	21.7	- 0.2	- 0.9	- 0.2	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.8	9.9	10.1	- 0.1	- 1.0	- 0.3	- 3.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	8.0	8.2	8.0	- 0.2	- 2.4	0.0	0.0
Printing & Publishing	30.0	29.9	29.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Newspapers	10.8	10.7	10.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.5	+ 4.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	41.8	41.7	40.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 1.2	+ 3.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.7	13.1	- 0.1	- 0.7	+ 0.5	+ 3.8
Rubber & Misccellaneous Plastics Products	33.8	33.8	33.2	0.0	0.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.8
Other Nondurable Goods[5]	4.4	4.4	4.2	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 4.8
Nonmanufacturing	2,138.0	2,138.5	2,087.1	- 0.5	*	+ 50.9	+ 2.4
Mining	5.0	5.0	4.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.3	+ 6.4
Construction	158.2	157.7	164.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.3	- 6.1	- 3.7
Transportation	149.0	149.3	146.4	- 0.3	- 0.2	+ 2.6	+ 1.8
Transportation, exc. Railroad	89.6	89.7	85.6	- 0.1	- 0.1	+ 4.0	+ 4.7
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	55.9	55.9	57.0	0.0	0.0	- 1.1	- 1.9

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Classification	Total Employment Apr. 1989	Mar[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Change From: Mar. 1989 Net	Mar. 1989 Percent	Apr. 1988 Net	Apr. 1988 Percent
Wholesale and Retail Trade	691.9	692.0	675.8	- 0.1	*	+ 16.1	+ 2.4
Wholesale Trade	164.9	164.4	158.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.3	+ 6.7	+ 4.2
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	98.4	98.3	95.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 3.0	+ 3.1
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	66.5	66.1	62.8	+ 0.4	+ 0.6	+ 3.7	+ 5.9
Retail Trade	527.0	527.6	517.6	- 0.6	- 0.1	+ 9.4	+ 1.8
General Merchandise Stores	75.8	75.2	71.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.8	+ 4.0	+ 5.6
Food Stores	86.5	86.9	84.1	- 0.4	- 0.5	+ 2.4	+ 2.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	132.1	131.5	129.9	+ 0.6	+ 0.5	+ 2.2	+ 1.7
Service & Miscellaneous[6]	542.5	543.7	516.1	- 1.2	- 0.2	+ 26.4	+ 5.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	28.4	28.9	28.7	- 0.5	- 1.7	- 0.3	- 1.0
Personal Services	31.9	32.0	30.6	- 0.1	- 0.3	+ 1.3	+ 4.2
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.8	13.8	13.3	0.0	0.0	+ 0.5	+ 3.8
Total Government	459.3	459.3	449.9	0.0	0.0	+ 9.4	+ 2.1
Federal	54.5	54.7	53.5	- 0.2	- 0.4	+ 1.0	+ 1.9
State	132.0	131.8	130.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 1.8	+ 1.4
Education	69.2	69.1	67.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.7	+ 2.5
Other	62.8	62.7	62.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Local	272.8	272.8	266.2	0.0	0.0	+ 6.6	+ 2.5
Education	140.4	141.0	139.1	- 0.6	- 0.4	+ 1.3	+ 0.9
Other	132.4	131.8	127.1	+ 0.6	+ 0.5	+ 5.3	+ 4.2
All Other Nonag. Employment[7]	265.4	257.1	267.2	+ 8.3	+ 3.2	- 1.8	- 0.7
Agriculture	342.7	39.9	46.5	+ 2.8	+ 7.0	- 3.8	- 8.2

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Figure 3

Composition of Nonagricultural Employment in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1989

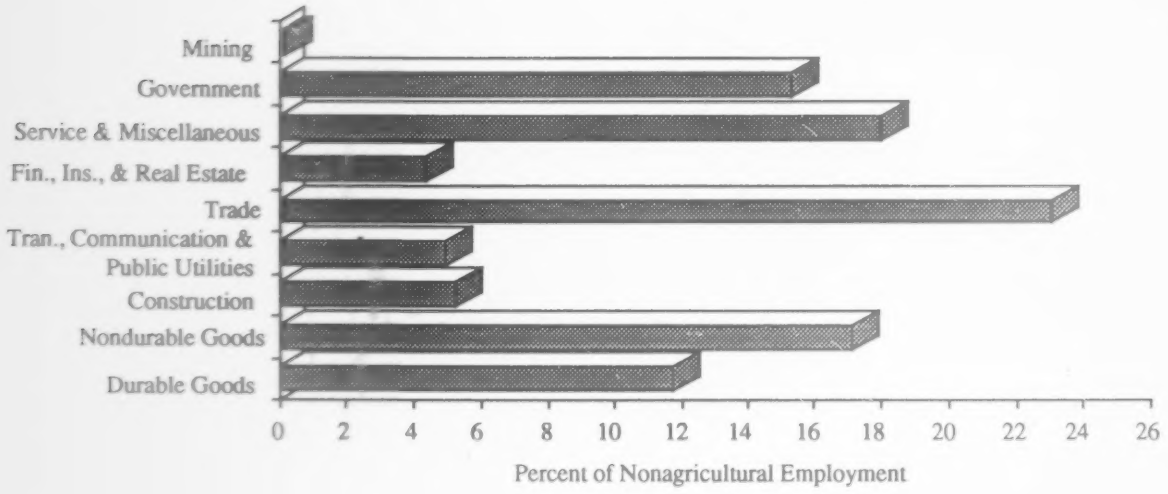

Figure 4

Employment Levels in Major Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina (Seasonally Adjusted)

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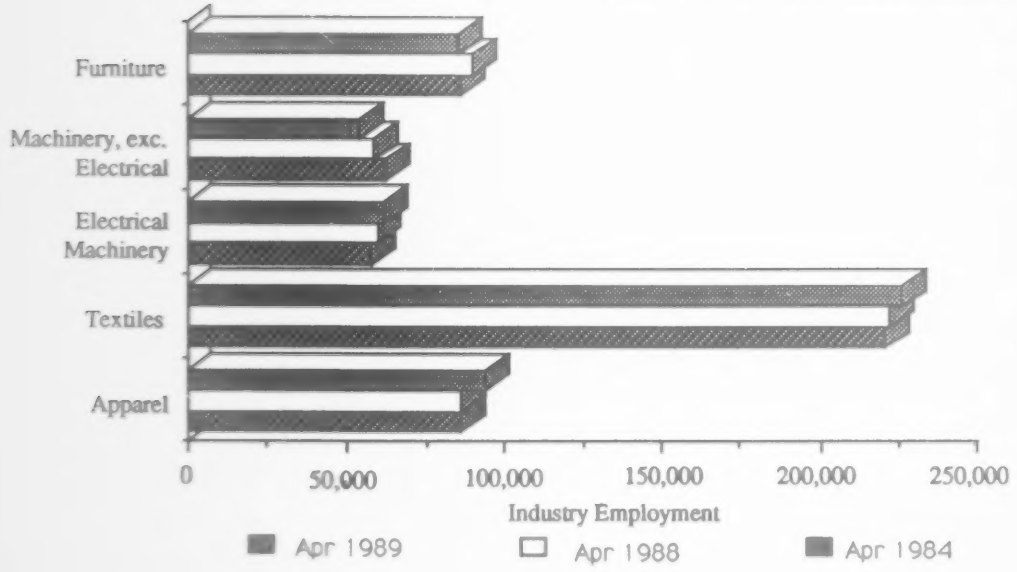

Table 4

Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions April 1989[1]

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed[2]	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs[2, 3]	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction
Total	10,401	9,971	331	7	1,045
Professional, Technical & Managerial Occupations	326	318	1	0	5
Clerical Occupations	1,445	1,418	7	0	35
Sales Occupations	433	428	2	0	4
Domestic Service Occupations	98	76	4	0	1
Other Service Occupations	1,696	1,633	1	1	17
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery & Related Occupations	634	373	283	0	12
Processing Occupations	834	834	0	2	3
Machine Trade Occupations	1,187	1,184	2	0	25
Benchwork Occupations	1,899	1,901	6	0	1
Structural Work Occupations	1,380	1,326	4	2	892
Motor Freight & Transportation Occupations	242	238	8	2	34
Packaging & Materials Handling Occupations	1,952	1,793	13	0	36
Miscellaneous Occupations	38	32	0	0	3

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

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Individuals Placed in Jobs by the Employment Security Commission by Occupational Categories and Industrial Divisions April 1989[1]

Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
4,703	385	1,920	140	2,336	432	622
57	2	63	4	107	84	121
182	89	653	83	322	101	163
16	7	360	6	38	0	4
3	0	6	2	62	1	2
79	15	460	8	942	150	224
4	0	10	21	51	6	16
743	0	55	0	40	0	0
1,023	7	49	2	85	3	6
1,615	1	27	0	273	6	0
212	23	35	10	163	73	80
29	68	66	2	31	8	10
1,112	178	180	2	339	2	2
17	0	2	0	8	2	3

[1]The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989.
[2]The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for industrial divisions do count each placement of an individual.
[3]A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

Figure 5

A Comparison of Insured Unemployment Rates in North Carolina and the United States (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1988-April 1989

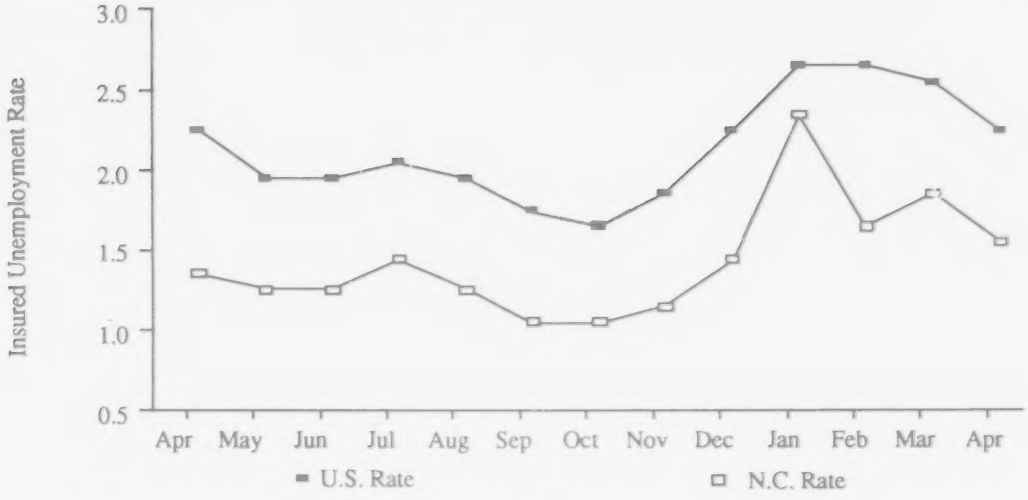

Figure 6

Individuals Placed in Jobs through the Employment Security Commission by Major Industrial Category

April 1989

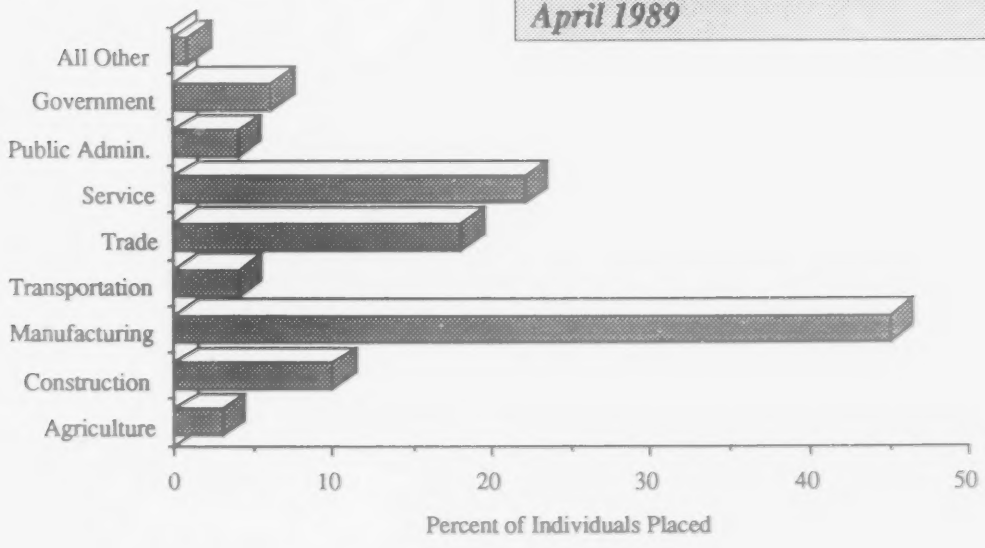

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Table I

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment			Percent Change From:	
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1988
Total Nonagricultural Employment	3,010.7	3,000.4	2,957.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	865.9	868.2	864.1	- 0.3	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	354.7	355.4	353.7	- 0.2	+ 0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	36.5	36.2	37.0	+ 0.8	- 1.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.2	12.0	12.3	+ 1.7	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	9.2	9.1	9.6	+ 1.1	- 4.2
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	4.7	4.6	4.5	+ 2.2	+ 4.4
Furniture & Fixtures	86.7	87.3	90.2	- 0.7	- 3.9
Household Furniture	76.9	77.6	80.1	- 0.9	- 4.0
Wood Household Furniture	38.8	39.3	40.7	- 1.3	- 4.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	32.2	32.4	33.5	- 0.6	- 3.9
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	21.6	21.5	21.2	+ 0.5	+ 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.0	- 3.6
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Products	6.0	5.9	5.9	+ 1.7	+ 1.7
Primary Metal Industries	12.8	12.8	12.1	0.0	+ 5.8
Fabricated Metal Industries	30.6	30.8	29.7	- 0.6	+ 3.0
Fabricated Structural Metal Products	9.7	9.8	9.3	- 1.0	+ 4.3
Machinery, except Electrical	62.7	62.2	58.9	+ 0.8	+ 6.5
Special Industry Machinery	7.9	8.0	7.9	- 1.3	0.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	57.9	58.5	59.3	- 1.0	- 2.4
Household Appliances	5.9	5.9	5.5	0.0	+ 7.3
Transportation Equipment	27.5	27.6	26.8	- 0.4	+ 2.6
Other Durable Goods[3]	18.4	18.5	18.5	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Nondurable Goods	511.2	512.8	510.4	- 0.3	+ 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	50.9	50.5	50.9	+ 0.8	0.0
Meat Products	23.6	23.4	23.6	+ 0.9	0.0
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.5	2.3	+ 4.0	+ 13.0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.8	3.0	+ 3.6	- 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.6	2.8	- 3.8	- 10.7
Bakery Products	8.4	8.4	8.0	0.0	+ 5.0
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.7	0.0	- 3.0

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[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
[4]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
[5]This category includes Services, except Domestic, Agricultural Services; Forestry and Fisheries.
[6]Less than .05 percent.

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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment			Percent Change From:	
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1988
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.3	22.5	21.5	- 5.3	- 0.9
Cigarettes	17.8	18.1	18.6	- 1.7	- 4.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.0	3.9	2.4	-23.1	+ 25.0
Textile Mill Products	220.7	220.9	222.6	- 0.1	- 0.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	53.3	54.0	54.8	- 1.3	- 2.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	24.0	24.4	26.6	- 1.6	- 9.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.0	28.3	27.2	- 1.1	+ 2.9
Knitting Mills	84.3	83.9	83.6	+ 0.5	+ 0.8
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	23.7	23.7	24.0	0.0	- 1.3
Hosiery, NEC	22.8	22.8	22.5	0.0	+ 1.3
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	16.0	16.0	15.3	0.0	+ 4.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.0	6.3	+ 3.3	- 1.6
Textile Finishing, except Wool	16.2	16.1	15.3	+ 0.6	+ 5.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.4	51.5	53.6	- 0.2	- 4.1
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.6	87.1	86.1	- 0.6	+ 0.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.3	35.3	36.5	0.0	- 3.3
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	30.1	30.5	29.8	- 1.3	+ 1.0
Paper & Allied Products	21.5	21.7	21.7	- 0.9	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	9.8	9.9	10.1	- 1.0	- 3.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	8.0	8.1	8.0	- 1.2	0.0
Printing & Publishing	30.1	30.1	29.5	0.0	+ 2.0
Newspapers	10.8	10.7	10.3	+ 0.9	+ 4.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	41.8	41.7	40.6	+ 0.2	+ 3.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.7	13.1	- 0.7	+ 3.8
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	33.9	33.9	33.3	0.0	+ 1.8
Other Nondurable Goods[4]	4.4	4.4	4.2	0.0	+ 4.8

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments & Related Products and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.
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Table I
(Continued)

Detailed Industry Employment in North Carolina (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

April 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Percent Change From: Mar. 1989	Apr. 1988
Nonmanufacturing	2,144.8	2,132.2	2,093.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.5
Mining	5.0	5.0	4.7	0.0	+ 6.4
Construction	157.3	154.7	163.2	+ 1.7	- 3.6
Transportation & Public Utilities	148.3	147.8	145.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Transportation, except Railroad	89.0	88.5	85.0	+ 0.6	+ 4.7
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	55.7	55.7	56.8	0.0	- 1.9
Wholesale & Retail Trade	686.3	682.9	670.2	+ 0.5	+ 2.4
Wholesale Trade	163.5	162.7	156.8	+ 0.5	+ 4.3
Wholesale Trade - Durable Goods	98.1	98.0	95.1	+ 0.1	+ 3.2
Wholesale Trade - Nondurable Goods	65.4	64.7	61.7	+ 1.1	+ 6.0
Retail Trade	522.8	520.2	513.4	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
General Merchandise Stores	73.9	73.0	70.0	+ 1.2	+ 5.6
Food Stores	86.5	86.6	84.0	- 0.1	+ 3.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	131.3	130.3	129.2	+ 0.8	+ 1.6
Service & Miscellaneous[5]	544.1	539.9	517.5	+ 0.8	+ 5.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	27.8	26.7	28.1	+ 4.1	- 1.1
Personal Services	32.4	32.7	31.1	- 0.9	+ 4.2
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	13.6	13.7	13.2	- 0.7	+ 3.0
Health Services	137.1	136.8	129.7	+ 0.2	+ 5.7
Hospitals	56.4	56.1	52.1	+ 0.5	+ 8.3
Legal Services	13.1	13.1	12.7	0.0	+ 3.1
Educational Services	35.0	35.0	34.8	0.0	+ 0.6
Total Government	472.5	471.6	463.1	+ 0.2	+ 2.0
Federal	54.6	54.3	53.6	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
State	137.1	136.4	135.2	+ 0.5	+ 1.4
Education	74.6	74.3	72.8	+ 0.4	+ 2.5
Other	62.5	62.1	62.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
Local	280.8	280.9	274.3	*	+ 2.4
Education	149.9	150.3	148.6	- 0.3	+ 0.9
Other	130.9	130.6	125.7	+ 0.2	+ 4.1

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[2]Revised.
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Table II

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

April 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988
Manufacturing	$339.39	$337.71	$326.43	40.5	40.3	40.4	$8.38	$8.38	$8.08
Durable Goods	353.57	354.44	340.68	40.5	40.6	40.8	8.73	8.73	8.35
Lumber & Wood Products	302.35	309.67	282.49	40.1	40.8	39.9	7.54	7.59	7.08
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	295.89	297.31	288.67	39.4	39.8	40.6	7.51	7.47	7.11
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	332.51	383.24	291.75	40.5	45.3	37.5	8.21	8.46	7.78
Furniture & Fixtures	289.88	299.15	284.57	37.5	38.5	38.3	7.73	7.77	7.43
Household Furniture	287.61	297.99	281.53	37.4	38.5	38.2	7.69	7.74	7.37
Wood Household Furniture	276.48	283.81	270.82	38.4	39.2	38.8	7.20	7.24	6.98
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	384.70	374.22	371.55	41.1	40.5	41.7	9.36	9.24	8.91
Structural Clay Products	316.01	318.37	322.06	39.6	40.3	42.6	7.98	7.90	7.56
Primary Metal Industries	416.33	423.85	411.84	42.7	42.9	42.9	9.75	9.88	9.60
Fabricated Metal Industries	382.75	374.33	370.77	41.2	40.6	41.8	9.29	9.22	8.87
Machinery, exc. Electrical	407.96	406.51	378.11	43.4	43.2	42.2	9.40	9.41	8.96
Special Industry Machinery	390.34	385.48	362.06	42.8	42.5	42.1	9.12	9.07	8.60
Electrical Machinery	396.37	393.46	390.69	41.9	41.2	42.1	9.46	9.55	9.28
Household Appliances	290.07	260.19	276.61	42.1	37.6	39.8	6.89	6.92	6.95
Transportation Equipment	411.09	407.04	398.64	42.6	42.4	44.0	9.65	9.60	9.06
Nondurable Goods	331.30	327.63	316.79	40.6	40.2	40.1	8.16	8.15	7.90
Food & Kindred Products	259.57	289.86	282.65	39.2	38.7	38.3	7.54	7.49	7.38
Meat Products	249.38	244.60	218.84	37.9	37.4	35.7	6.58	6.54	6.13
Meat Packing Products	368.00	377.81	350.65	46.0	46.3	42.4	8.00	8.16	8.27

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Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

April 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988
Dairy Products	324.22	315.42	309.74	43.0	42.0	43.2	7.54	7.51	7.17
Grain Mill Products	349.00	346.15	342.50	43.3	43.0	43.3	8.06	8.05	7.91
Bakery Products	334.43	327.95	333.95	41.7	41.2	42.0	8.02	7.96	7.95
Beverages	521.26	507.09	598.13	38.9	38.3	43.5	13.40	13.24	13.75
Tobacco Manufacturers	601.88	546.53	601.39	37.5	34.7	38.6	16.05	15.75	15.58
Cigarettes	675.76	623.84	646.91	38.2	34.6	38.9	17.69	18.03	16.63
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	224.09	220.40	246.19	33.8	34.6	36.8	6.63	6.37	6.69
Textile Mill Products	306.03	304.14	290.28	41.3	41.1	41.0	7.41	7.40	7.08
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	338.62	334.96	323.42	41.6	41.2	41.2	8.14	8.13	7.85
Weaving Mills, Cotton	331.69	319.59	318.79	41.0	39.8	40.2	8.09	8.03	7.93
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	343.14	346.46	327.12	42.0	42.2	42.1	8.17	8.21	7.77
Knitting Mills	276.31	274.19	264.80	39.7	39.6	40.0	6.96	6.93	6.62
Women's Hosiery, exc. Socks	244.50	249.06	235.49	37.5	38.2	37.8	6.52	6.52	6.23
Hosiery, NEC	264.10	260.24	252.01	39.3	38.9	39.5	6.72	6.69	6.38
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	317.94	312.23	308.67	42.0	41.3	42.4	7.57	7.56	7.28
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	353.23	341.98	337.72	44.6	43.9	45.7	7.92	7.79	7.39
Textile Finishing, exc. Wool	344.19	331.80	304.92	44.7	43.6	42.0	7.70	7.61	7.26
Yarn & Thread Mills	306.13	305.23	289.40	42.4	42.1	41.7	7.22	7.25	6.94
Apparel & Other Textile Products	221.74	217.50	203.69	38.1	37.5	36.7	5.82	5.80	5.55
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	201.66	201.66	190.01	36.8	36.8	36.4	5.48	5.48	5.22
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	223.40	219.26	205.62	37.8	37.1	36.2	5.91	5.91	5.68

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[3]Revised.

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Table II

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Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-supervisory Workers in North Carolina[1]

April 1989[2]

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988	Apr. 1989	Mar.[3] 1989	Apr.[3] 1988
Paper & Allied Products	492.63	505.56	501.56	42.8	43.1	43.5	11.51	11.73	11.53
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	654.55	681.01	676.46	43.9	45.1	45.4	14.91	15.10	14.90
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	388.81	384.09	386.38	42.4	41.3	42.6	9.17	9.30	9.07
Printing & Publishing	382.18	381.12	366.43	39.4	39.7	39.7	9.70	9.60	9.23
Newspapers	293.07	296.40	297.37	32.1	32.5	33.3	9.13	9.12	8.93
Chemicals & Allied Products	481.80	480.05	466.99	44.0	43.8	43.2	10.95	10.96	10.81
Plastics & Synthetics	532.61	525.03	530.65	45.6	45.3	45.2	11.68	11.59	11.74
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	422.30	422.91	415.17	41.2	41.3	41.6	10.25	10.24	9.98
Mining	446.98	434.28	429.60	47.4	46.2	46.9	9.43	9.40	9.16
Comm. & Elec., Gas & Sanitary Services	529.52	533.29	520.33	42.6	42.8	42.2	12.43	12.46	12.33
Wholesale & Retail Trade	215.15	211.42	210.56	31.5	31.0	32.0	6.83	6.82	6.58
Wholesale Trade	343.93	340.17	335.87	38.6	38.7	39.1	8.91	8.79	8.59
Retail Trade	178.77	175.42	175.80	29.5	28.9	30.0	6.06	6.07	5.86
General Merchandise Stores	161.73	159.00	158.89	27.0	26.5	27.3	5.99	6.00	5.82
Food Stores	191.19	184.93	183.83	30.3	29.4	31.0	6.31	6.29	5.93
Services, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	149.48	144.14	151.32	29.6	28.6	31.2	5.05	5.04	4.85
Laundries, Cleaning & Garment Service	216.65	208.01	208.27	35.4	34.1	35.3	6.12	6.10	5.90

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Figure I

Average Hourly Earnings by Major Industry Sectors in North Carolina

April 1989

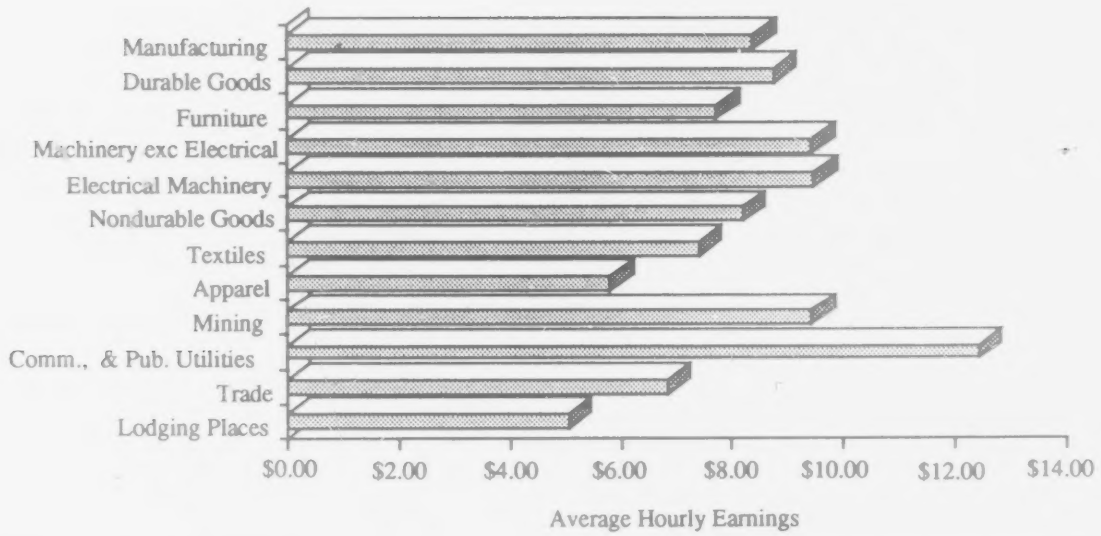

Figure II

Average Hourly Earnings in Durable Goods Industries Compared to the North Carolina Average

April 1989

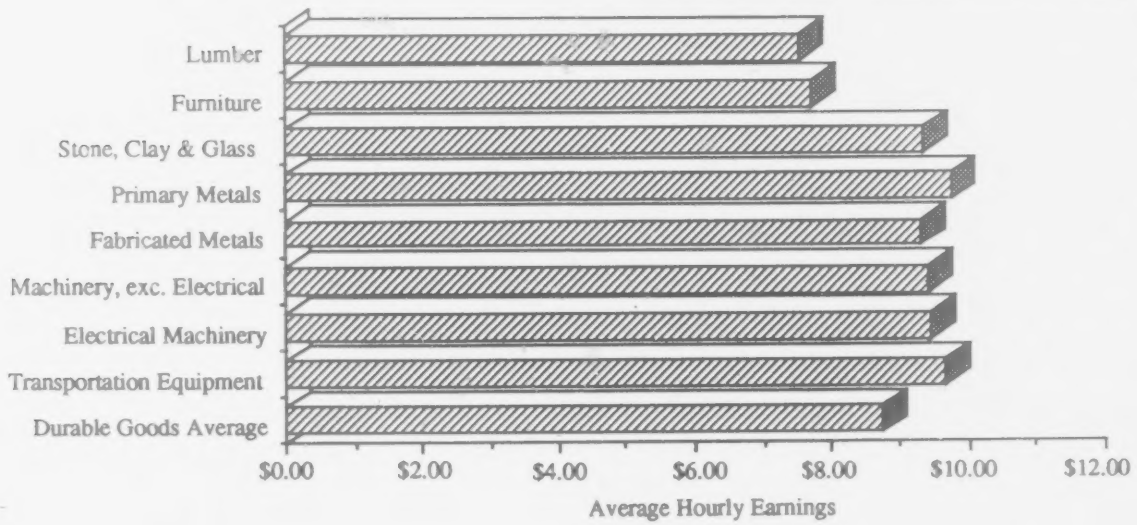

Table III

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

April 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1988
Manufacturing	681.2	683.2	682.7	- 0.3	- 0.2
Durable Goods	265.2	265.5	266.1	- 0.1	- 0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	30.5	30.3	31.2	+ 0.7	- 2.2
Millwork, Plywood & Structural Members	7.7	7.7	8.2	0.0	- 6.1
Wood Buildings & Mobile Homes	3.8	3.8	3.7	0.0	+ 2.7
Furniture & Fixtures	75.9	76.1	79.0	- 0.3	- 3.9
Household Furniture	67.8	68.0	70.6	- 0.3	- 4.0
Wood Household Furniture	35.0	35.5	37.0	- 1.4	- 5.4
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	17.2	17.0	16.9	+ 1.2	+ 1.8
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.1	2.2	0.0	- 4.5
Primary Metal Industries	9.7	9.7	9.1	0.0	+ 6.6
Fabricated Metal Industries	22.7	22.9	22.2	- 0.9	+ 2.3
Machinery, except Electrical	31.3	31.1	29.9	+ 0.6	+ 4.7
Special Industry Machinery	5.2	5.3	5.4	- 1.9	- 3.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	41.7	42.0	42.2	- 0.7	- 0.2
Household Appliances	5.2	5.3	4.8	- 1.9	+ 8.3
Transportation Equipment	22.5	22.6	21.7	- 0.4	+ 3.7
Other Durable Goods[3]	13.7	13.8	13.9	- 0.7	- 1.4
Nondurable Goods	416.0	417.7	416.6	- 0.4	- 0.1
Food & Kindred Products	36.1	36.0	36.5	+ 0.3	- 1.1
Meat Products	20.5	20.4	20.9	+ 0.5	- 1.9
Meat Packing Plants	1.9	1.8	1.6	+ 5.6	+ 18.8
Dairy Products	1.6	1.6	1.7	0.0	- 5.9
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.8	2.0	- 5.6	- 15.0
Bakery Products	4.9	4.9	4.5	0.0	+ 8.9

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Instruments and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.

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Table III

(Continued)

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

April 1989[1]

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Apr. 1989	Mar.[2] 1989	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1989	Apr. 1988
Beverages	2.7	2.6	2.8	+ 3.8	- 3.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	15.6	16.6	15.9	- 6.0	- 1.9
Cigarettes	12.9	13.3	14.0	- 3.0	- 7.9
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.3	2.9	1.5	- 20.7	+ 53.3
Textile Mill Products	195.4	195.2	197.0	+ 0.1	- 0.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synthetics & Wool	47.7	48.2	48.9	- 1.0	- 2.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	21.3	21.6	23.6	- 1.4	- 9.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.3	25.5	24.5	- 0.8	+ 3.3
Knitting Mills	74.8	74.4	74.1	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Women's Hosiery, except Socks	21.0	21.0	21.2	0.0	- 0.9
Hosiery, NEC	20.7	20.7	20.4	0.0	+ 1.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.0	13.9	13.3	+ 0.7	+ 5.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.2	5.2	5.5	0.0	- 5.5
Textile Finishing, except Wool	13.7	13.6	12.9	+ 0.7	+ 6.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.5	46.5	48.5	0.0	- 4.1
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.2	75.8	74.8	- 0.4	+ 0.5
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats & Furnishings	26.3	30.5	25.6	- 13.8	+ 2.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	30.5	26.7	31.7	+ 14.2	- 3.8
Paper & Allied Products	16.3	16.5	16.4	- 1.2	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper & Paperboard Mills	7.0	7.1	7.2	- 1.4	- 2.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.2	6.3	6.1	- 1.6	+ 1.6
Printing & Publishing	18.7	18.6	18.6	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Newspapers	4.3	4.2	4.1	+ 2.4	+ 4.9
Chemicals & Allied Products	27.3	27.4	26.4	- 0.4	+ 3.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	10.0	10.0	9.5	0.0	+ 5.3
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics Products	27.7	27.8	27.4	- 0.4	+ 1.1
Other Nondurable Goods[3]	3.7	3.8	3.6	- 2.6	+ 2.8

[1]Data for the current month are preliminary.
[2]Revised.
[3]This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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